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Amendment Transmittal Letter

Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified patent application. The non-small entity fee has been calculated in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.16 (b), (c) and (d) as follows:

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and in response to the Office Action mailed August 15, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are submitted for your consideration. This Amendment is timely because it is accompanied by a Request for a One-Month Extension of Time.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.